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## **Remarks**

Applicants elect to prosecute the claims of Group I, claims 1-26. Applicants have also been required to elect a species from the growth hormone secretagogues. Applicants elect the species of claim 13, which is 2-amino-N-[2-(3a-(R)-benzyl-2-methyl-3-oxo-2,3,3a,4,6,7-hexahydro-pyrazolo[4,3-c]pyridin-5-yl)-1-(R)-benzyloxymethyl-2-oxo-ethyl]-isobutyramide.

Consideration and allowance of claims 1-20 is respectfully requested.

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